

TO: James L. App, City Manager
FROM: Meg Williamson, Interim Public Works Director
SUBJECT: Parking Restrictions on Appaloosa Drive and Niblick Road
DATE: February 17, 2004

NEEDS: For the City Council to consider parking restrictions (red curb) on Appaloosa Drive and Niblick Road near their intersection.

FACTS:

1. The Paso Robles Unified School District requests “that a section of curb on both sides of Appaloosa Drive, where it intersects at Niblick Road, and continuing on Niblick Road, be changed to a red, No Parking area”.
2. The Streets and Utilities Committee considered this request at their meeting of January 30, 2004. One member of the Committee supported the parking restrictions, while the other did not.

ANALYSIS &

CONCLUSION: Niblick Road is a wide arterial at the point it intersects with Appaloosa Drive, a residential collector. On weekdays, the intersection is congested with parents, teachers, and students coming to and from school on foot, by personal vehicle or school bus. Pedestrian and vehicle densities create a sensitive traffic situation.

Red curb is generally recommended for areas with site line visibility challenges. This area does have some site problems (garden walls on both sides), however, the main concern is the foot and vehicular traffic converging at the intersection of the two roads.

Red curb on both corners would maximize usable road width, open up sight lines and likely improve the safety of the intersection during times of heavy use.

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IMPACT: Minimal (existing budget)

OPTIONS:

- a. Adopt Resolution No. 04-xx approving parking restrictions on the west side of Appaloosa Drive beginning at the Northeast corner of Niblick Road, extending north 90 feet; and on the east side of Appaloosa Drive beginning at the Northwest corner of Niblick Road, extending north 90 feet.
- b. Maintain current configuration allowing parking on both sides of Appaloosa.
- c. Amend, modify or reject the above options.

Attachments(3)

- 1) Resolution
- 2) Letter
- 3) Site map

RESOLUTION NO. 04-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PASO ROBLES
APPROVING PARKING RESTRICTIONS (RED CURB) ON APPALOOSA DRIVE

WHEREAS, the Paso Robles School District has requested parking restrictions on Appaloosa Drive due to safety concerns; and

WHEREAS, the Streets and Utilities Committee reviewed the request and the vote was 1-1; and

WHEREAS, parking restrictions on both corners of Appaloosa Drive at Niblick Road would maximize usable road width, open up sight lines, and likely improve the safety of the intersection during times of heavy use.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Council of the City of El Paso de Robles does hereby approve parking restrictions as follows:

- 90 feet of red curb on the Northeast corner of Appaloosa Drive, beginning at Niblick Road; and
- 90 feet of red curb on the Northwest corner of Appaloosa Drive, beginning at Niblick Road.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Paso Robles this 17th day of February 2004 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Frank R. Mecham, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sharilyn M. Ryan, Deputy City Clerk



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November 7, 2003

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RE: Request for Red Curbing at Niblick and Appaloosa

Committee Members,

The Paso Robles Public School District is formally requesting that a section of curb on both sides of Appaloosa, where it intersects at Niblick, and continuing on Niblick, be changed to a red, "No Parking" area. (See attached diagram.)

This request is the result of observation that many of the parents picking up students after school park along Niblick and Appaloosa, and essentially cut-off the corner, making it difficult to negotiate that turn in large vehicles such as school busses. We've already experienced 'near misses' on vehicles parked in that location. Also, busses are forced to turn very wide and are thus moving into the oncoming traffic lane during their turn.

If you have further questions or need greater clarification, please contact me at 237-3380.

Sincerely,

PASO ROBLES PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Ashley Lightfoot
Director of Business Operations

cc: File

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